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Bill gates is a smart man, I'll give him that. Smart enough to produce the even more proprietary Windows XP while in court for anti-trust.

Also, you may want to investigate companies like Qwest possibly getting kick-backs from Microsoft for only supporting their products - for example the Intel PRO/DSL 2100 Modem which is licensed to Qwest and no linux drivers - and when you call qwest or intel about that they give you the run around. Why allow the monopolist to continue to strangle the american public with their far inferior operating system by doing things like this - and also attempting to proprietize internet protocols, etc. Linux and other operating systems are more robust, more servicable, customizable, interoperable, etc.

What you have done his slap Mr. Gates on the hands and have done NOTHING to him - you have not weakened his monopolistic position, or changed his behavior, he continues to behave in a monopolistic manner, and will continue to do so until he no longer has the market share that he doesn't deserve. The only way to remedy the problem is compulsory support for Linux operating system for all hardware manufacturers and major software firms - including microsoft with their Office and other software suites.

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"God is dead." - Nietzsche

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